Remarks

Claims 7-8, 13, 19, 24-27, 35-36, and 40 are pending. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added.

The Amendment is in accordance with the BPAI decision

The claims have been amended as requested by the Office.

The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences ("BPAI") decision dated February 15, 2008 deemed claims 1-6, 9-12, 14-18, 20-23, 28-34, 37-39, 41-47 to be rejectable. The amendment cancels these claims.

The decision also deemed claims 7-8, 13, 19, 24-27, 35-36, and 40 to be allowable. The amendment places allowable claims 7, 13, 19, 24, 35, and 40 into independent form. The remaining pending claims 8, 25-27, and 36 depend therefrom.

All pending claims have been deemed allowable by the BPAI. Thus, according to the BPAI this application is now in condition for allowance.

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